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Research by McKinsey and the women's advocacy group Catalyst shows that women represent more than half of entry-level professionals in American industrial corporations but account for only three percent of Fortune 500 CEOs, and less than 15 percent of executive positions at top organizations. With such an emphasis on women in the workforce over the last 40 years, why is there only minimal progress for women moving into top leadership positions? Simmons College President Helen Drinan, a former banking executive, will share her personal career path, failures and successes, and lessons learned. S

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Featured Guest



Helen G. Drinan

Helen G. Drinan is the eighth President of Simmons College. During the past five years, she has used her leadership experience to guide the institution to a position of competitive strength financially, academically, and operationally. An alumna of the Simmons School of Management and the Simmons Graduate School of Library and Information Science, her relationship with Simmons spans nearly four decades. Since assuming the presidency of Simmons College, Ms. Drinan has been recognized by the Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts as a Leading Woman (2013), by Woman LEAD as a "Woman Who Leads in Academia and Inspires Others" (2013), and by the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce as a Pinnacle Awar

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